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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : McKerracher et al.

Art Unit : 1644

Serial No. : 09/184,572

Examiner : S. Turner

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Title : RHO FAMILY ANTAGONISTS AND THEIR USE TO BLOCK INHIBITION
OF NEURITE OUTGROWTHCommissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231PETITION TO WITHDRAW HOLDING OF ABANDONMENT

Applicants hereby petition to withdraw the Notice of Abandonment mailed December 4, 2001 (copy enclosed). The application was mistakenly abandoned for failure to respond to the Office Action mailed April 20, 2001.

The undersigned, applicant's agent, first became aware of the abandonment on December 12, 2001, upon receipt of the Notice of Abandonment and submits that this petition to withdraw the Notice is being promptly submitted as required by 37 CFR §1.8(b)(1).

The following documents are submitted under 37 CFR §1.8(b)(2) as proof that a Response was timely filed on October 19, 2001:

1. A copy of the response to the Office Action, including an executed certificate of mailing signed by Gina Maldonado on October 19, 2001;
2. A copy of the Petition for Extension of Time, including an executed certificate of mailing signed by Gina Maldonado on October 19, 2001, which extended the period for responding to the Office Action for three months, to and including October 20, 2001;
3. A copy of the checks dated October 19, 2001 and postcard dated October 19, 2001 that were included with the response and Petition for Extension of Time;

CERTIFICATE OF TRANSMISSION BY FACSIMILE

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being transmitted by facsimile to the Patent and Trademark Office on the date indicated below.

January 11, 2002
Date of Transmission
Signature *Gina Maldonado*

Gina Maldonado
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4. A copy of the Request for Continued Examination (RCE), including an executed certificate of mailing signed by Gina Maldonado on October 19, 2001; and

5. A copy of the front page of the certified Canadian application No. 2,214,841.

Applicants' agent states that the copies of the documents listed above are exact copies of what was filed on October 19, 2001.

Applicants' agent submits that the response to the Office Action was timely filed, and requests that the Notice of Abandonment be withdrawn.

Please apply any charges or credits to Deposit Account No. 06-1050.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: 1/11/02



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